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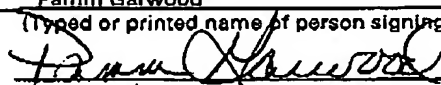
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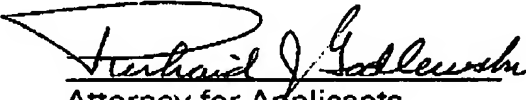
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Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final action of September 6, 2006 ("Office Action"), Applicants hereby request entry of the following amendments and remarks to put the claims in condition to be allowed. Amendments to the **Claims** begin on page 2 and **Remarks** begin on page 12.